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In re: Application of: )  
Louis A. Schick, et al. )  
Serial No.: 09/736,495 )  
Filed: 12/13/2000 )  
Title: System And Method For )  
Managing A Fleet of Remote )  
Assets )

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PETITION TO CLAIM BENEFIT UNDER 35 U.S.C. 120, 121, OR 365(C)  
OF A PRIOR COPENDING NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION OR  
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION DESIGNATING THE  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
(37 C.F.R. 1.78(a)(3))

**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.8(a) and 1.10**

I hereby certify that on this 10<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2004 this Petition is being facsimile transmitted to the Patent and Trademark Office, (703) 872-9306.

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1. Applicant hereby petitions in accordance with § 1.78(a)(3), to claim the benefit, for this application under 35 U.S.C.

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of the filing dates of prior copending and commonly assigned United States patent application serial number 09/410,553 (now patent 6,263,265) filed

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October 1, 1999, and 09/378,939 (now patent 6,301,531) and 09/378,940, both filed August 23, 1999.

2. Applicant submits herewith a preliminary amendment amending the first sentence, after the title, of the application (§ 1.78(a)(2)) making reference in this application to all prior filed applications whose benefit is claimed.

3. Applicant states that the entire delay between the date the claim for the benefit of the earlier application was due under paragraph (a)(2)(ii) of 37 C.F.R. § 1.78 and the date this claim is filed was unintentional.

4. The surcharge fee set forth in § 1/17(t) required by 37 C.F.R. 1.55(c)(1), is paid as follows:

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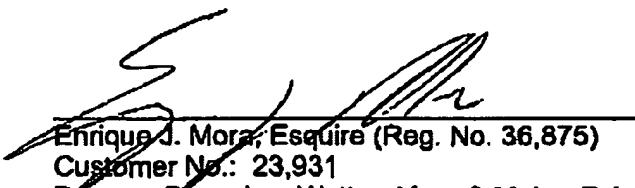
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